

## LOCAL NEWS

There were several loads of fresh mown hay on the streets yesterday.

The report of the census-takers shows that there are over eighty manufacturers in Brenham including shoe shops, etc.

MISS LIZZIE THORNTON has been elected sponsor of the Brenham Light Guard in place of Mrs. Linn, nee Miss Emma Wilkins.

MR. R. L. BURNES, the clock man, sustained the reputation of the Brenham gun club at the Hempstead shoot on Friday. He won a number of first prizes.

MR. JULIUS DODT, the popular jeweler at Mr. L. Bronenkant, has constructed a convenient device by which he fans himself and manages to keep cool while at work during the warm weather.

A COLORED WOMAN from Burton who has been lying out a fine in the county jail that was imposed in the justice court of that precinct last October, was discharged from custody on Friday.

A PLEASANT party was given on Thursday evening at the residence of Mrs. Chas. Parks, complimentary to Miss Katie Daffan, of Corsicana, who left for her home the following day.

SAM HOUTSON, colored, had a horse stolen in broad daylight the other day while hitched near the courthouse square. The negro Lewis Robertson, already in jail on suspicion, is believed to have stolen the horse.

JACE MURPHY, the negro who was to have been hanged at Caldwell on Friday, was respited for thirty days on request of Major S. G. Ragsdale, district attorney, on the ground that he didn't believe that the condemned man was sane.

MR. J. W. THOMPSON, a prominent farmer who has resided in the Chappell Hill neighborhood for years, has moved to Waco and is engaged in the real estate business with Dr. J. H. Blackburn, recently of this city.

MR. C. F. HERBST, the present efficient and popular district clerk, authorizes the BANNER to state that he will not be a candidate for re-election nor a candidate for any office. Mr. A. M. Krug, deputy county clerk, is mentioned as a suitable candidate for his successor.

THE northbound Santa Fe passenger train on Friday contained six coaches filled with people picked up all along the line and bound for Caldwell to witness the hanging of the colored wife-murderer. A small number of Brenhamites helped to swell the crowd.

MR. ALBERT WERNER and family of this city, and Louis Lehmann and family went over to the Brazos river below Washington on Wednesday to enjoy a day or two of camping out. They returned Friday evening and reported that they caught plenty of fish and had an enjoyable time.

THERE was quite an affecting scene enacted on the sidewalk at the side of Giddings' bank on Thursday afternoon by a young married couple from the country. It seemed to be a family affair in which the father-in-law figured and as the young woman appeared in deep distress the reporter refrained from making any inquiry.

THE BANNER stated the other day that Daniel Jones, who had been arrested on the charge of breaking open a trunk, was released, as no formal charge was made against him. The reporter's informant made a slip of the tongue. It was Daniel Stevenson who had been arrested. Daniel Jones is a reputable darkey who has lived here twenty-five years and has never had any suspicion cast against him.

The members of Uhlund lodge Knights of Honor turned out according to announcement Thursday afternoon to celebrate the seventh anniversary of their organization. They met at the hall in the Graber building at 3 o'clock and headed by Prof. Voss' band marched out to the Germania, where they enjoyed a spread and had a good social time. The members of the lodge did not turn out in uniform. The American lodge was in the procession with them. At night there was a ball.

The hanging of Jace Murphy, the negro wife murderer, which was to have taken place at Caldwell on Friday was postponed at the last moment and hundreds of people who had gone from a great distance to witness the execution were disappointed. Just as the condemned man was about to be executed a dispatch was received from Gov. Ross granting a reprieve of thirty days. The negro was allowed to mount the scaffold and deliver a harangue to the crowd any way, but was so full of emotion that his remarks were unintelligible.

## DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES.

Precinct Conventions Held to Elect Delegates to County Convention.

Democratic primaries were held throughout the county on Saturday to elect delegates to the county convention, which is to be held in this city on July 15 for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention and to nominate candidates for county offices. The precinct convention of the 3rd precinct held in this city excited the most interest, and people from town and country were on hand in force. The convention was held at Eldridge hall, which was packed, and there was scarcely standing room. The body was almost as unwieldy as in a state convention and as a result there was a great deal of confusion. The meeting was called to order by Mr. F. W. Schuereberg, chairman, at half past three o'clock.

Mr. A. F. Felder was elected temporary chairman and Mr. R. E. Pennington temporary secretary. On motion a committee of five, composed of Messrs. E. Reichardt, Beauregard Bryan, Dr. Jas. Bartlett, D. C. Giddings, Jr., and John Ralston, was appointed on credentials, basis of representation and permanent organization. While the committee were out Major Haywood Brahan, candidate for state comptroller, on motion of Judge C. C. Garrett addressed the meeting. After fifteen or twenty minutes the committee returned and made the following report:

We recommend Mr. A. F. Felder for permanent chairman, and Mr. R. E. Pennington for permanent secretary. We recommend that one delegate from each fifty democratic votes cast for governor be elected to attend the convention, making in all twenty-two delegates from this precinct. We further recommend that delegates be elected as follows: That the democrats of Berlin having held a meeting and nominated J. J. Hoffmann and G. W. Grater as delegates that said Hoffmann and Grater be named as two of our delegates, that the democratic voters who vote at Palm's store and are now in attendance on this convention be allowed to name two delegates, and that the delegates from the other voting boxes in this precinct be elected by those voting at said boxes as this convention may decide. We recommend the following order of business: 1. Election of delegates to the county convention; 2. Nomination of precinct officers, justice of the peace and constable. We recommend that in the nomination of officers the two-thirds rule prevail. The report was adopted unanimously.

L. R. Bryan offered a resolution that all persons participating in the convention bind themselves to support the nominees, state, county and precinct. Adopted.

The election of delegates to the county convention being next in order, the voters from Palm's store divided off and elected Fritz Harms, Wm. Danhaus and Adolph Schawe, Schendel's gin elected Christian Wiede and John Pennington. All five of these delegates were instructed for Hogg for governor.

Mr. W. M. Aven, of the town precinct, moved that a committee of five, composed of Messrs. E. Reichardt, B. Eldridge, J. D. Campbell, H. C. McIntyre and R. Hoffmann, be appointed to elect fifteen delegates to the county convention. The motion was tabled, as also was a motion of T. B. Botts to elect the delegates viva voce singly and then to be ratified by the convention.

The following delegates after considerable discussion were voted upon and elected. J. W. Leonard, Adolph Schawe, J. R. Pennington, C. Wiede, J. J. Hoffmann, G. W. Grater, Wm. Danhaus, F. W. Schuereberg, S. A. Morris, W. Wehmeyer, E. Reichardt, B. Eldridge, H. Becker, J. F. Riebe, R. B. Rivers, A. F. Felder, D. C. Giddings, Jr., T. B. Botts, D. H. Watson, J. R. Ralston, D. B. Williams, Wm. Aven and F. Haubelt.

A motion was made to instruct for James S. Hogg was introduced and excited a heated controversy. Nearly all opposed to instructions claimed to be in favor of Hogg. A division of the house was taken and the majority were clearly in favor of instructions, but on motion of Judge Garrett in the interest of harmony the motion to instruct was withdrawn. There is no doubt, however, that the county convention will instruct for him, nineteen of the twenty-three votes from the third precinct being in favor of him and all the delegates from the country precincts.

The nomination of precinct officers being next in order, Mr. E. P. Curry for justice of the peace and C. C. Boyd for constable were both almost unanimously nominated for re-election.

A resolution introduced by Mr. B. S. Rogers endorsing Mr. W. B. Wortham, assistant state treasurer and candidate for re-election, was withdrawn.

Mr. A. M. Krug was endorsed as a candidate for district clerk and Beauregard Bryan for district attorney. Both endorsement were unanimous.

Mr. F. W. Schuereberg was tendered a vote of thanks for the able and efficient manner in which he served as chairman of Precinct No. 3, and declining a re-election, Mr. W. M. Aven was unanimously elected to fill the position, after which the convention adjourned. There was a little feeling stirred up over the motion to instruct for Hogg for governor, but it quickly cooled down and everybody appeared satisfied with the result. It is certain that Hogg will be instructed for governor. A petition signed by over seventy colored people was presented asking for the nomination of Boyd for constable.

RETURNS FROM THE COUNTRY. The BANNER has not yet received the full returns from the precinct conventions held in the country precincts on last Saturday, but from parties who were in on Monday received partial reports from nearly all of them.

Chappell Hill precinct elected a solid Hogg delegation instructed to vote for Hogg for governor. Sheriff Dever was endorsed for re-election.

The Independence precinct elected several delegates to the county convention as follows: F. G. Clappitt, Nester Clay, Geo. R. Seward, Willie Robertson, G. W. Booker, Jas. Robertson and Albert Young. They were instructed to vote in the county convention for Hogg for governor, Wortham for treasurer, O. A. Seward for county clerk, and T. J. Evans for sheriff, provided Mr. N. E. Dever does not consent to the pressure and offer for re-election. Wm. Penn, which is a part of the Independence precinct, held a separate meeting and endorsed the above, with the exception of candidate for sheriff. Mr. D. E. Teague received the endorsement. The other offices were left open.

Messrs. B. G. Sayles, S. H. Goodlett, Z. G. Barton, E. J. Neinst, Andrew Harriss and Jeff Allcorn were elected delegates to the county convention from the Gay Hill precinct. The majority of the delegates favored Jas. S. Hogg for governor, but a motion to instruct after being made was withdrawn.

Washington precinct instructed for Hogg for governor and Tom Evans for sheriff.

Wesley precinct instructed for Hogg for governor, Capt. J. M. Byrnes for county clerk and E. G. Langhammer for county assessor.

The Burton precinct convention will not be held until next Saturday, July 5. It is sure to instruct for Hogg for governor, and it is said that the Carter Schoolhouse Hogg Democratic club will come down to the county convention flying a banner with a unique picture of a razor-back on it.

The BANNER has been handed the following list as embracing the names of the delegates and alternates from the Washington precinct to the county convention: Ed Hughes, Sam Hunt, Pat Roberts, Wm. Krueger, Andrew Buchanan, R. R. Anderson, Fred Heinecke, James Crowder, Jim Ed Flewelling, Ben Connor, N. J. Thompson, L. J. Bolton, Sam H. Hatfield, Jno. S. Ewing and Major John A. Vernon.

The BANNER has also been furnished with a full list of the delegates elected from Wesley, which is as follows: August King, Joe Wolenta, John Lyons, A. J. Williams, Charley Bieberstein, B. O. McLean, A. Witte, Henry Flingie, J. Baca and B. Lindster. Resolutions were passed instructing for D. Teague provided Sheriff Dever is not a candidate for re-election, E. Langhammer, for assessor, Capt. J. M. Byrnes for county clerk, Beauregard Bryan for district attorney, and all present incumbents for the other county offices. As stated before, General Hogg was indorsed for governor.

Had a Foot Mashed.

When the westbound Central passenger train slowed up at the depot at noon on Monday one of the passengers stepped off for a moment to stretch his legs and exercise a bit. When the train got ready to pull out it was in motion before he noticed it, and in running to get aboard he in some way was tripped up and his feet were thrown across the trucks. Before he could be rescued the ball of his right foot was crushed by the wheels and three of his toes were badly mashed. Dr. W. A. Lockett were called and the train was held up until he could hastily dress the wound, after which he was put aboard and the train moved out. It may become necessary to have a large portion of the foot amputated. The unfortunate man proved to be Mr. R. W. Brooks, an old and highly esteemed citizen of Lee county, who is a farmer and is about fifty years old. He lives on the Vega about eleven miles north of Giddings.

The report was brought to town Monday from Gay Hill that a Mr. Roberts, living on Mr. Alex Simon's place, had killed a negro on Sunday. Inquiry failed to substantiate the rumor, however, and it is said to have originated from Constable Roberts of Gay Hill precinct, having a difficulty with Mr. Bob Lauderdale.

## SERVED HIM RIGHT.

How the dull monotony was relieved by a bit of excitement.

Sam Miller is the name of a gray-headed old darkey who fills the position of sexton at the First Baptist church and is employed by Mr. Leonard Gee to drive his city street sprinkler. For some time past ugly reports have been coming to Uncle Sam about the infidelity of his wife. The gay Lothario mentioned in the case was Lawson McSpratten, a mulatto individual who keeps a shoe shop on Quitman street just beyond the barrel house saloon. On Friday shortly before noon while Uncle Sam was driving his sprinkler in that neighborhood he saw McSpratten get up from his cobbler's bench and start down towards Camptown. Sam temporarily abandoned his sprinkler, armed himself with an iron wagon rod and followed at a distance. His suspicions were not unfounded and he didn't have to wait long for developments. McSpratten went deliberately into Miller's house, and was almost instantly taken by surprise, but succeeded in making his escape out at a back window. Anticipating the course he would take back to town, Sam Miller ran up Sandy street, darted through a side street to Main street and took his stand at the corner, near the residence of Mr. John H. Miller, the sewing machine agent. Presently McSpratten came along and Sam Miller jumped out and confronted him. McSpratten drew a pistol, but Miller quickly knocked it out of his grasp and welched him several blows with the iron rod, severely wounding and crippling one of his arms and hands. McSpratten took to his heels and Miller took up the pistol and ran up the street bawling for the police. Tom Matchett, at Lockett's livery stable, seeing the pistol and hearing the cry for police blew a whistle and the city marshal took Miller into custody. A few minutes later McSpratten was captured. The former was released and the latter was taken before Justice Curry and put under bond no answer at the term of the county court to the charge of carrying a pistol.

Another Shooting at Clay.

Clay station, on the Somerville branch of the Santa Fe road, was the scene of another shooting affray on Sunday afternoon. Turner Walton, colored, shot another negro named Andy, five times, inflicting wounds that were considered fatal, although at the time the BANNER's informant left the place late Sunday evening he was still alive. The shooting was a cold-blooded murder on very slight provocation. Walton had given Andy a \$5-bill to change, being under the impression that it was a \$2-bill. When Andy got the change he did not correct the mistake, but handed back the \$2 in change. When Walton discovered the error he had made he went to Andy and told him he owed him \$3 and demanded payment. The negro refused to pay it, saying "I corrects no mistakes." With this Walton began firing into him with a revolver, stopping long enough after each shot to inquire, "Now will you give it up?" The negro stood in front of the pistol and was shot four times before he made any reply or made a movement to go down into his pockets after the money. Walton shot at him six times, every ball but one taking effect.

A Shooting near Gay Hill.

Parties in from Gay Hill on Monday reported a shooting scrape at Wallace's store, just beyond Gay Hill, near the quarry, which took place on Sunday. Mr. Bob Lauderdale became involved in a difficulty with a negro by the name of Cowen or McCowen, and while the darkey was making threatening demonstrations towards him Lauderdale's brother, John Lauderdale, interfered and drawing a revolver shot the negro in the forehead. At last accounts McCowen was still alive, but it was thought the wound would probably prove fatal. The cause of the difficulty was not ascertained. So far as the reporter learned, Lauderdale was not arrested and has not surrendered himself.

The friends of Judge Lafayette Kirk of this county have cause to feel highly gratified at the way he was honored at the meeting of the county judges of the state at Galveston the other day. The principal object of the meeting was to devise ways and means to improve the condition of the county roads, and Judge Kirk was appointed chairman of the committee to whom the matter was referred. A state county judges' association was also organized as a result of the meeting and Judge Kirk was honored by being elected its first president.

A few days ago the BANNER reported that some of the students of Blinn college went on a lark and tore some pickets off the fence around the campus and from private residences in the neighborhood. The reporter got the item straight from two or three parties who are warm friends of the institution, but Prof. Urbank now claims that the item did the students injustice and says that cows tore the pickets off.

## To Attend the Reunion.

A large crowd of people from this city went down to Hempstead on a special excursion train Friday morning to attend the reunion of Hood's famous Texas brigade. The Brenham contingent included surviving soldiers of the brigade in this county, old soldiers of Green's brigade and others, besides a number of ladies and gentlemen who went over to the reunion for no other reason than that they heard that Hon. Seth Shepard, formerly of Brenham, was to be the orator of the day. The crowd which left this city also included several from adjoining towns who had to stop over and change cars here, and also several members of the Brenham gun club, who went down by special invitation to participate in a prize shoot. It was announced that an engine and two coaches would be provided for the excursionists, but there was only one, which was totally insufficient for the crowd. Not only was every seat occupied with two in a seat, but all of the available standing space in the aisles and on the platforms was occupied, and still a few people who wanted to go could not be accommodated even with standing room. The train pulled out about half past eight o'clock. A few young folks who did not go down on the excursion train went on the regular passenger train in the afternoon to attend the ball at night.

The funeral of Miss Emma Harris, which took place from the family residence at 5 o'clock on Sunday evening to the city cemetery was the most largely attended that has been seen in this city in many days. The funeral services were conducted at the house by Rev. Mr. Harmon, of the Giddings Memorial church, and a number of appropriate and touching selections were sang by a special choir composed of some of the best voices in the city. There were many moist eyes in the cortege as the remains were lovingly borne to their last resting place.

MR. W. H. MURPHY, proprietor of the Merchants' Exchange, has secured another novelty which surpasses his famous French canary bird as a curiosity. It is a monkey from Borneo mounted on a music box. The same machinery which grinds out the music makes the monkey throw dice and go through a number of gyrations and grimaces. It is now the popular thing to throw dice with the monkey for the drinks. He was first placed on exhibition Monday and drew large crowds whose admiring gaze was elicited. It is a piece of mechanism worth seeing.

THE other day the BANNER mentioned the sudden and mysterious death of the little five-year-old daughter of Mr. Louis Steincomb at her home in the edge of Austin county, a few miles south of Brenham, on Williams creek. While playing she complained of being tired and went into the house and lay down and died in a few minutes. On last Saturday Mr. Steincomb's youngest child, an infant son about a year and a half old, was taken suddenly ill in the same mysterious way and died within an hour or two. No cause has been assigned for their deaths as far as could be learned.

MR. SAMUEL HEIDENHEIMER, the proprietor of the Brenham oil mill, and his brother Isaac Heidenheimer, both wealthy and prominent business men of Galveston, were arrested on Saturday on a charge of arson, and after undergoing a preliminary examination were required to give bond for \$5000 each. They were proprietors of the Galveston oil mill, which was consumed by fire on April 8, and they are charged with having set it on fire to recover the insurance.

A TRACT of one hundred acres of land belonging to the J. and C. Palmer estate, located on the Graball road, several miles out of town, was sold at public outcry Tuesday morning by Sheriff Dever in accordance with a decree of the county court. A party bid in the land at \$20.50 an acre and Mr. C. C. Boyd gave him \$50 for his trade. The land is said to be worth \$30 an acre, but the price it brought was considered handsome for an auction sale.

AT the anniversary celebration of Uhlund lodge Knights of Honor on Thursday afternoon an interesting address was delivered by Prof. Holme. Ben S. Rogers, Esq., had been invited and was expected to deliver an address, but did not put in an appearance. The ball at night was attended by about twenty-five couples, who appeared to greatly enjoy themselves. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Field Artillery band.

THE BANNER calls attention to the announcement of Mr. Thomas J. Evans as a candidate for sheriff. His candidacy is conditioned on the refusal of Mr. N. E. Dever to accept a renomination. Mr. Evans has resided in Washington county ever since he was five years of age. While a man of popular manners he is brave and fearless and the very kind of a man for sheriff.

The list of jurors for the July term of the county court has been made out and put in the hands of the sheriff. Following are the names on the panel: Wm. Schlechte, Joe Toland, A. J. Blackburn, August Lindemann, J. M. Brown, R. L. Adams, Henry Quebe, W. M. Ramsey, L. F. Harris, J. D. Jackson, H. Hoph, R. H. Clarke, Hermann Mueller, W. S. Buster, Robert Moore, H. C. Turner.

The new board of chiefs of the Brenham fire department and the Light Guard brass band will shortly inaugurate a series of summer night concerts out at the firemen's park. This is a good movement and the concerts will prove an excellent source of enjoyment to help tide over the dull summer months.

A SPECIAL locomotive and coach went up on the Central road Monday night from Houston to Giddings, conveying, a surgeon of the railroad company to amputate the leg of Mr. R. W. Brooks, whose foot was crushed at the union depot in this city. It was reported that grave fears were entertained as to the unfortunate man's recovery.

MR. ERNEST REICHARDT, the drum major of the Light Guard brass band, received his fine new shako on Monday and it was on exhibition in front of A. & H. Harrison's store during the day. It is a handsome piece of headgear and was much admired.

TITUS ALLCORN, one of the old-time darkeys of Washington county, died on Friday night out at the Martin place three or four miles south-east of town. He belonged to the late Col. T. J. Allcorn in slavery times, and had a scar on one side of his jaw where he had been shot.

SEVERAL complaints have been filed before Justice Curry against parties for refusing to work the public roads. They are all colored persons. No arrests have been made yet, and as they are all smart and read the BANNER their names are withheld from publication.

THE members of the Frohsinn society have not taken any steps yet to provide themselves with other quarters when their lease expires to the present hall and grounds, which have, as heretofore announced, been sold to the German Lutheran church society, and it is intimated that the society will quietly disband.

DICK LEWIS, colored, got on the warpath and raised a row on Saturday night near the Santa Fe long bridge with Mary McCoy. He held a matinee with the mayor Monday and was fined \$5 and costs. In lieu of liquidating he was put to work on the streets.

THE Galveston News in mentioning the musical program rendered by the state music teachers' association in convention in that city speaks very highly of the performance of Miss Clara Reaville, of Chappell Hill. She is the only one who received especial mention.

THE regular monthly term of Justice Curry's court for the transaction of civil business was begun on Monday with a light docket. A few judgments were rendered by default, one or two cases were tried and others continued, dismissed or set for trial during the term.

W. T. WALKER

Has erected a large Photograph Tent on Sandy Street, next to Healy's hardware store, and is prepared to do first class work at lowest prices. Finest Cabinet Photos for only \$2.00 a dozen. Four Gem Pictures for 50 cents.

THE meeting of colored people of Washington county to consider the condition of the race and to adopt such measures as may be deemed necessary to promote their welfare will be held in this city on next Saturday.

FINEST Cabinet Photos for only \$2.00 a dozen. at Walker's Tent, on Sandy street.

MR. FRED FISHER has sold his fine pair of bay horses recently brought to this city from Missouri to Mr. Chas. Langhammer, county collector of Austin county. The price paid for them by Mr. Langhammer was four hundred and fifty dollars.

WALKER'S Tent is the place for Pictures. Four Gems for 50 cents. Large pictures, in 8x10 frame for only \$1.00.

MR. JAS. HUDSON, the carpenter, had a colt run over and both hind legs broken Sunday morning by a locomotive on the Central road. The animal was knocked in the head to put it out of misery.

THE BANNER is informed that a large delegation of young ladies and gentlemen will come up from Hempstead on Friday to attend the fourth of July ball at the Germania.

The clerks are not being rushed to death with work just at present.